

RECEIVED
AUG 25 2000
TECH CENTER 1600/2900

David Baltimore et al.
Serial No.: 08/813,323
Filed: March 10, 1997
Page 2

In each of claims 3 and 4, on line 1, please delete "claim 21" and insert therefor --claim 92--.

~~92.~~ (amended) An isolated protein which comprises an [which comprises amino acids, the] amino acid sequence [of] which

- (a) is included within the sequence shown in [Figure 1 (]SEQ ID NO:1[)];
- (b) has at its carboxy terminus a proline [corresponding to the proline] as shown at position number [564] 567 in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (c) comprises continuous amino acids as [corresponding to the continuous amino acids] shown in SEQ ID NO:1 between the proline at position number 567 and the [asparagine] serine at position number [414] 385; and
- (d) does not extend at its amino terminus beyond [an amino acid corresponding to] the serine shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 at position number 324;

or variants thereof wherein the variant consists of a substitution of one amino acid for another amino acid between the following pairs:

valine substituted for glycine or vice versa;
glycine substituted for alanine or vice versa;
valine substituted for isoleucine or vice versa;